

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE VESTRY OF ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL PARISH CONDUCTED BY E-MAIL FROM JANUARY 23 THROUGH 25, 2012

The meeting was called to order by the Rector, Elizabeth Randall, at 9:32 p.m. on the 23rd. The only issue was the 2012 budget. Full details of that budget are, I presume, available from the Treasurer, Jim Anthony. However, the meeting focused largely on four line items in the budget in the income area: line items 3005 unpledged income, There Will Your Heart Be Also (no number assigned as yet), 3010 pledged income, and 3260 designated funds income. The amounts of these were, in the original budget document as proposed, in order as above, \$50,000, \$48,000, \$323,000, and \$10,000.

At 1:26 p.m. on the 24th, Sr. Warden Rich Rinehart proposed an amendment to the budget. The amendment changed unpledged income to \$40,000 and There Will Your Heart Be Also to \$58,000. Judie James seconded this amendment. Elizabeth called the question on it and stated that seven votes would be needed to pass it. Voting "aye" were the following Vestry members: Rich Rinehart, Peter Thulson, Sue Torfin, Janice Burley, Steve Grupe, Steve Medema, Elizabeth Randall, Judie James, and Lynn Hardcastle. Susan Trickett abstained. On the basis of that vote, Elizabeth declared at 8:41 p.m. that the amendment had passed and moved the budget for 2012 itself, as amended above. Elizabeth called the question on the budget itself at 9:38 p.m.

The amended budget passed by the following vote after it was seconded by Janice Burley: Voting "aye" were Liz Evans, Susan Trickett, Sue Torfin, Rich Rinehart, Steve Grupe, Janice Burley, and Peter Thulson. Steve Medema abstained from voting.

It seems to me that the final e-mail. From 9:46 a.m. on the 25th, requires quotation in full to be understood. It was from Elizabeth. Paragraphing is not included: "Richard, technically three votes and the abstention were out of order, and I had not voted yet. However, if, given the immense, unexpected complications of this meeting, we decided to count the votes that came in before there was a second and I called the question, then we have a quorum and the budget passes, with seven "ayes" and one abstention and three votes not cast (counting, I guess, as abstaining). I move that we consider the out of order voting in order. I will simultaneously make a motion that we adjourn, which is also out of order. This has been very complicated. I certainly have learned a lot. Thank you, thank you, for your patience, your grace, your humor, and your dedication to this church. ER"

I am working on a further document which will include verbatim all of the discussion on these matters above, with the exception of the burning issues regarding the proper usage of "shall" and "will." I shall continue that work unless I am authoritatively told it is not necessary.

Respectfully submitted, Richard DeTar,

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